

# LOCAL INTEGRABILITY OF BESSEL FUNCTIONS ON SPLIT GROUPS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we prove that the Bessel functions are locally integrable for all connected split reductive linear algebraic groups over a p-adic field  $F$  and the Bessel distributions are given by integrals against these Bessel functions, which are previously known only for  $GL(2), GL(3)$  proved by Baruch.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The main purpose of this paper is to prove the local integrability of Bessel functions attached to irreducible generic smooth representations of  $G$ , where  $G$  is a connected split reductive linear algebraic group over a p-adic field  $F$ , and then the Bessel distributions are given by integrations against these Bessel functions.

Let  $N_0$  be the unipotent radical of a Borel subgroup of  $G$ , and  $\psi_0$  be a nondegenerate character on  $N_0$ . Let  $\pi$  be an irreducible generic representation of  $G$  with contragredient  $\tilde{\pi}$ . Use  $\pi^*$  and  $\tilde{\pi}^*$  to denote the linear dual of  $\pi$  and  $\tilde{\pi}$  respectively. Let  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$  be a locally constant function with compact support on  $G$ , take  $l \in \pi^*$ ,  $l' \in \tilde{\pi}^*$  to be fixed nonzero Whittaker functionals with respect to  $\psi_0$  and  $\psi_0^{-1}$ , respectively. Define  $\tilde{\pi}(f)l'$  as

$$\tilde{\pi}(f)l' = \int_G f(g)\tilde{\pi}(g)l' dg$$

or equivalently, for any  $\tilde{v} \in \tilde{\pi}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \tilde{\pi}(f)l', \tilde{v} \rangle &= \int_G f(g) \langle \tilde{\pi}(g)l', \tilde{v} \rangle dg \\ &= \int_G f(g) \langle l', \tilde{\pi}(g^{-1})(\tilde{v}) \rangle dg \end{aligned}$$

then  $\tilde{\pi}(f)l'$  is a smooth linear functional on  $\tilde{\pi}$ , hence can be identified with a vector  $v_f \in \pi$ .

**Definition 1.1.** Define Bessel distribution  $B(f)$  as

$$B(f) = l(v_f)$$

Baruch obtained the first regularity result about  $B(f)$ . By Theorem 2.3 in [Ba01], when restricted to the open Bruhat cell  $\Omega$ , this Bessel distribution  $B(f)$  is given by a locally constant function  $j_\pi^\circ$ , which is called the Bessel function. We extend this function to the whole group  $G$  by putting zero outside  $\Omega$ . It is natural to ask whether  $j_\pi^\circ$  is locally integrable on  $G$  and represents the Bessel distribution  $B(f)$ ? Our main result of this paper is to answer this question affirmatively.

**Theorem 1.2.**  $j_\pi^\circ$  is locally integrable on  $G$ , and for any  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$ , we have

$$B(f) = \int_G f(g)j_\pi^\circ(g)dg.$$

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The Bessel distributions appear naturally in relative trace formulas and Kuznetsov trace formulas, and are analogous to character distributions. Our result is then an analog of Harish-Chandra's regularity theorem on character distributions ([HC65, HC78]). Previously, such regularity results are only known for  $GL_2(F)$ ,  $GL_3(F)$  by Baruch in [Ba97, Ba04]. His method is based on Shalika germs of certain Kloosterman integrals on  $GL_n(F)$  developed by Jacquet and Yangbo Ye in [Ja, JY96, JY99]. However, it seems difficult to generalize his method to  $GL_n(F)$  as Shalika germs become much more complicated. Moreover, this notion is even not available for groups other than  $GL_n(F)$ .

Built on earlier work of Baruch, Lapid and Zhengyu Mao ([Ba05, LM09, LM13]), our method in this paper is different and seems new for similar problems. The first step is to extend Bessel distribution  $B(f)$  continuously to the space of rapidly decreasing functions on  $G$ , containing  $C_c^\infty(G)$ , which is a topological vector space and this gives us some estimate on  $j_\pi^\circ$ . The second is to construct a neighborhood for certain element  $g \in \Omega$ , on which  $j_\pi^\circ$  is locally constant, and to estimate the volume of this neighborhood in terms of norm of  $g$ . Combining these preparations one can show the local integrability of Bessel functions.

It would be interesting to see if the methods in the present paper can be used to deal with spherical distributions for p-adic symmetric spaces appearing in relative trace formulas.

This paper is organized as follows. In section 2, we collect some facts which will be useful later. In section 3, we review basics about Bessel functions and Bessel distributions. In section 4, we define space of rapidly decreasing functions  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  of  $G$ , and extend continuously  $B(f)$  to  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  in section 5. In section 6, we construct neighborhoods for elements in  $\Omega$  and estimate its volume. The main result is finally proved in section 7.

## 2. NOTATIONS AND PRELIMINARY

$F$  denotes a p-adic field, with ring of integers  $\mathcal{O}$ .  $v_F$  is the p-adic valuation of  $F$  and  $|\cdot|$  is the p-adic absolute value on  $F$ . Let  $q$  be the cardinality of its residue field  $F_q$ . Use  $\varpi$  to denote a fixed uniformizer of  $F$ , and let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be the maximal ideal it generates in  $\mathcal{O}$ .  $\psi : F \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$  is an additive character with conductor exactly  $\mathcal{O}$ .

Let  $A$  be a maximal  $F$ -split torus of  $G$ ,  $B$  be a Borel subgroup of  $G$  containing  $A$ .  $N_0$  is the unipotent radical of  $B$ . Let  $\bar{N}_0, \bar{B}$  be the opposite of  $N_0, B$ . Use  $\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{a}$  to be the Lie algebras of  $G, A$  respectively. We denote by  $\Phi$  the system of roots of the pair  $(G, A)$ , by  $\Phi^+$  the set of positive roots and  $\Delta$  the set of simple roots. For each root  $\alpha \in \Phi$ , define  $\mathfrak{g}^\alpha$  to be

$$\mathfrak{g}^\alpha = \{X \in \mathfrak{g} : [H, X] = \alpha(H)X, \forall H \in \mathfrak{a}\}.$$

Choose  $X_\alpha \in \mathfrak{g}^\alpha$  to be a base of  $\mathfrak{g}^\alpha$  defined over  $F$ , such that the system  $\{X_\alpha\}$  is a Chevalley base of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . We define in the same way the subgroup  $N_0^\alpha$  of  $G$  and homomorphism  $x_\alpha : F \rightarrow N_0^\alpha$  with

$$hx_\alpha(t)h^{-1} = x_\alpha(\alpha(h)t)$$

for all  $t \in F, h \in A$ . Each  $u \in N_0$  can be written as

$$u = \prod_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} x_\alpha(t_\alpha).$$

For roots  $\alpha, \beta$  with  $\alpha + \beta \neq 0$ , we have the commutator relation

$$(x_\alpha(t), x_\beta(s)) = \prod_{i>1, j>1} x_{i\alpha+j\beta}(c_{i,j}t^i s^j). \quad (2.1)$$

It follows that if  $\alpha$  is simple then  $t_\alpha$  doesn't depend on the order in the above product of  $u$ , and thus we can define

$$\psi_0(u) = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \psi(t_\alpha)$$

which is a nondegenerate character of  $N_0$ .

For each root  $\alpha$ , define a map  $\phi_\alpha : N_0^\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \infty$  by the relation

$$\phi_\alpha \circ x_\alpha = v_F.$$

Define  $\phi_0 : A \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \infty$  by setting

$$\phi_0(a) = \inf_{\chi \in X^*(A)} v_F(\chi(h) - 1).$$

where  $X^*(A) = \text{Hom}(A, F^\times)$  is the lattice of  $F$ -rational characters. If  $m$  is a positive integer, define

$$N_m^\alpha = \phi_0^{-1}([m, \infty]) = x_\alpha(\mathfrak{p}^m) \\ A_m = \phi_0^{-1}([m, \infty]) = \{a \in A : \chi(a) \in 1 + \mathfrak{p}^m, \quad \forall \chi \in X^*(A)\}.$$

Let  $K_m$  be the subgroup of  $G$  generated by subgroups  $H_m, N_m^\alpha$  for all  $\alpha \in \Phi$ . Put  $N_m = N_0 \cap K_m, \bar{N}_m = \bar{N}_m \cap K_m$ . We recall the following result of F.Rodier (Lemma 1 in [Ro75] or Lemma 4 in section 2.2.5 of [Ge] for Chevalley groups).

**Lemma 2.1.** (1). If  $m \geq 1$ , then  $K_m = \bar{N}_m A_m N_m = N_m A_m \bar{N}_m$ .  
 (2)  $N_m = \prod_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} N_m^\alpha$ .  
 (3) If  $m \geq 1$ , then  $K_{2m}/K_m$  is commutative.  
 (4)  $\cap_{m \geq 1} K_m = \{I\}$ .

We will define a character  $\psi_m$  on  $K_m$  by

$$\psi_m(\bar{b}u) = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \psi(\varpi^{-2m} t_\alpha)$$

if we write any element of  $K_m$  as  $\bar{b}u$  with  $\bar{b} \in \bar{B}_m = \bar{N}_m A_m, u = \prod_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} x_\alpha(t_\alpha) \in N_m$ . To check this is indeed a character, consider the map

$$K_m/K_{2m} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}(\mathfrak{p}^m/\mathfrak{p}^{2m}) : A \rightarrow A - 1.$$

By (19) in Lemma 5 of section 2.2.5., Proposition 1 in section 2.2.7. and Lemma 5 in section 2.2.6. of [Ge], we know the above map is an isomorphism. Hence if  $h, g \in K_m$ , then

$$hg = (h - 1) + (g - 1) + 1 \pmod{K_{2m}}.$$

Note that in the expression

$$\bar{b}u = \bar{b} \prod_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} x_\alpha(t_\alpha),$$

$t_\alpha$  is independent of the order of this decomposition if  $\alpha$  is a simple root again by the commutator relation (2.1). So for  $\alpha$  simple we have

$$(hg)_\alpha = h_\alpha + g_\alpha \pmod{\mathfrak{p}^{2m}},$$

and it follows that  $\psi_m$  is a well defined character on  $K_m$ .

Fix an element  $d \in A$  satisfying  $\alpha(a) = \varpi^{-2}$  for all  $\alpha \in \Delta$ . Put  $J_m = d^m K_m d^{-m}$  and define a character, still denoted as  $\psi_m$ , on  $J_m$  by  $\psi_m(j_m) = \psi_m(d^{-m} \bar{b} u d^m)$  where  $j_m = d^m \bar{b} u d^{-m} \in J_m$ . By Lemma 2 in [Ro75],  $\psi_m$  is the same as  $\psi_0$  when restricted to  $J_m \cap N_0$ .

Let  $K$  be a hyperspecial maximal compact subgroup of  $G$ . We will choose an embedding  $\tau : G \rightarrow GL_n(F)$  of  $G$  into some general linear group  $GL_n(F)$  with  $\tau(K) \subset GL_n(\mathcal{O})$ . Let  $B_1$  be a Borel subgroup of  $GL_n(F)$  containing  $\tau(B)$ . There exists an element  $h \in GL_n(\mathcal{O})$  such that  $hB_1h^{-1}$  is upper triangular. Consider the composite

$$\tau_0 : G \xrightarrow{\tau} GL_n(F) \xrightarrow{g \rightarrow hgh^{-1}} GL_n(F)$$

then  $\tau_0(K) \subset GL_n(\mathcal{O})$  and  $\tau_0(B)$  is upper triangular. We will identify  $G$  with its image under  $\tau_0$ . For any  $g \in G$ , write  $g = (a_{ij}), g^{-1} = (b_{ij})$ , let  $\|g\| = \max_{i,j} \{|a_{ij}|, |b_{ij}|\}$  and  $\sigma(g) = \log \|g\|$ , then as functions on  $G$ , both  $\|g\|, \sigma(g)$  are bi- $K$ -invariant. We also know that  $\|g\| \geq 1, \sigma(g) \geq 0$  and

$$\|g\| = \|g^{-1}\|, \sigma(g) = \sigma(g^{-1}).$$

Denote by  $P$  a standard parabolic containing  $B, N_0$ , with Levi decomposition  $P = MN$ . Use  $Z_M$  to be the center of  $M$ , and  $\delta_P$  to be modular character of  $P$ . The simple roots  $\Delta^P$  of  $A$  on Lie algebra of  $M \cap N_0$  is a subset of  $\Delta$ .

Recall that  $X^*(A) = \text{Hom}(A, F^\times)$ , and  $X_*(A) = \text{Hom}(F^\times, A)$  is the lattice of cocharacters, which can be identified with  $\text{Hom}(X^*(A), \mathbb{Z})$ . Define the map

$$H : A \rightarrow X_*(A)$$

by the relation

$$H(\mu(a)) = v(a)\mu, \mu \in X_*(A), a \in F^\times$$

We need to recall results of Lapid and Mao in [LM09] with some notations. Let  $V$  be the space of functions on  $A$  and  $A$  acts on it by translation. For any character  $\chi$  of  $A$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , define

$$\mathcal{F}_{\chi,n} = \{v \in V : (a_1 - \chi(a_1)) \dots (a_n - \chi(a_n)) \cdot v = 0 \text{ for all } a_1, \dots, a_n \in A\}$$

and the generalized  $\chi$ -eigenspace

$$\mathcal{F}_\chi = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} V_{\chi,n}$$

Then  $\mathcal{F}_{\chi,n}$  can be identified with  $\{\chi(a)Q(H(a))\}$  where  $Q$  ranges over the polynomials on  $X_*(A)$  of degree  $< n$ .

Use  $\mathbf{A}^1$  to denote the affine line. For any standard parabolic subgroup  $P$  put

$$\mathbb{M}_P = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \begin{cases} \mathbf{G}_m & \alpha \in \Delta^P \\ \mathbf{A}^1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and set  $\tau : A \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_G \hookrightarrow \mathbb{M}_P$  be the homomorphism by  $\tau(a)_\alpha = \alpha(a)$  for  $\alpha \in \Delta$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{M}_P)$  be the space of Schwartz functions on  $\mathbb{M}_P$ . For any  $P$  and  $\chi \in \widehat{Z_M}$ , we denote by  $\mathfrak{F}_{P,\chi,n}$  the space of smooth functions on  $A$  spanned by functions of the form

$$\xi(a)\phi(\tau(a))$$

where  $\xi \in \mathcal{F}_{\chi,n}$  and  $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{M}_P)$ .

If  $\pi$  is a smooth representation of  $G$ , let  $J_P(\pi)$  be the Jacquet module of  $\pi$  with respect to  $\pi$ , which is a smooth representation of  $M$ . View it as a representation of  $Z_M$ , and set

$$\mathcal{E}_P(\pi) = \{\chi \in \widehat{Z_M} : J_P(\pi)_\chi \text{ contains a supercuspidal constituent of } M\}$$

which is called the set of cuspidal exponents of  $\pi$  along  $P$ . Put the exponents of  $\pi$  to be

$$\mathcal{E}(\pi) = \bigcup_P \mathcal{E}_P(\pi)$$

which is finite if  $\pi$  is of finite length.

The main result of Lapid and Mao (Theorem 3.1 in [LM09]) about asymptotics of Whittaker functions can be stated as follows.

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $\pi$  be an irreducible generic smooth representation of  $G$ , and  $\mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi_0)$  be the associated Whittaker model. Then there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that any  $W \in \mathcal{W}(\pi)$  can be written as*

$$W(uak) = \psi_0(u) \sum_{P \supseteq B} \delta_P^{1/2}(a) \sum_{\chi \in \mathcal{E}_P(\pi)} \phi_{P,\chi}(t, k), \quad \forall u \in N_0, a \in A, k \in K,$$

where  $\phi_{P,\chi}(\cdot, k) \in \mathfrak{F}_{P,\chi,n}$  for all  $k \in K$  and  $\phi_{P,\chi}$  is invariant under an open subgroup of  $K$ .

## 3. BESSEL FUNCTIONS AND BESSEL DISTRIBUTIONS

Fix a representative  $\omega_0$  of the longest Weyl group element in  $G$ . Put  $\Omega := N_0 A \omega_0 N_0$  to be the open Bruhat cell of  $G$ . By Theorem 5.7 and Theorem 7.3 in [Ba05] and Theorem 2 in [LM13], for any  $g \in \Omega$ , any  $W \in \mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi_0)$ , there exists an open compact subgroup  $U \subset N_0$ , such that the function

$$\frac{1}{\text{vol}(U)} \int_U W(\omega_0 v u) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du$$

is compactly supported as a function in  $v \in N_0$ , which implies the integral

$$\int_{N_0}^* W(gv) \psi_0^{-1}(v) dv := \int_{N_0} \frac{1}{\text{vol}(U)} \int_U W(\omega_0 v u) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \psi_0^{-1}(v) dv$$

exists. Moreover the map

$$W \rightarrow \int_{N_0}^* W(gv) \psi_0^{-1}(v) dv$$

is a Whittaker functional on  $\pi$ , and

$$\int_{N_0}^* W(gv) \psi_0^{-1}(v) dv = j_\pi(g) W(I)$$

for some scalar  $j_\pi(g)$  by the uniqueness of Whittaker functionals. This defines a function  $j_\pi(g)$  on  $\Omega$ .

If  $\phi \in C_c^\infty(G)$ , define the orbital integral  $I(\phi, g)$  for  $g \in N_0 \omega_0 A N_0$  as

$$I(\phi, g) = \int_{N_0} W_\phi(gu) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du.$$

It is known from [JY96] that this orbital integral converges absolutely and defines a locally constant function in  $g$  on the open Bruhat cell  $N_0 \omega_0 A N_0$ . By Theorem 1.7 in [Ba05] and Theorem 4 in [LM13],  $j_\pi(g)$  is locally given by  $I(\phi, g)$  and hence is also locally constant.

The main result in this section is to prove that  $j_\pi(g) = j_\pi^\circ(g)$  for any  $g \in \Omega$ . Before the proof, we need the following important result of Lapid and Zhengyu Mao (Proposition 2.3 in [LM15]). Let  $U_1 \subset U_2 \subset \dots$  be an increasing filtration of compact open subgroups of  $N_0$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** *Suppose  $(\pi, V)$  is an irreducible generic smooth representation of  $G$  with contragredient  $(\tilde{\pi}, \tilde{V})$ . Let  $K_0$  be an open compact subgroup of  $G$ . If  $v \in V, \tilde{v} \in \tilde{V}$  stabilized by  $K_0$ , then the matrix coefficient  $(\pi(u)v, \tilde{v})$  is compactly supported as a function  $u \in N_0$  after averaging. Moreover, there exists a compact open subgroup  $U_j$  of  $N_0$ , depending only on  $K_0$ , such that the limit*

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \int_{U_i} (\pi(u)v, \tilde{v}) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du$$

stabilizes at  $U_j$ . The bilinear form

$$\int_{N_0}^* (\pi(u)v, \tilde{v}) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du := \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \int_{U_i} (\pi(u)v, \tilde{v}) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du$$

is nonzero and is  $(N_0, \psi_0)$ -equivariant in  $v$  and  $(N_0, \psi_0^{-1})$ -equivariant in  $\tilde{v}$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** *If  $\pi$  is generic, then for any  $g \in \Omega$ , we have*

$$j_\pi(g) = j_\pi^\circ(g).$$

*Proof.* For  $g = u_1 \omega_0 a u_2 \in \Omega, u_1, u_2 \in N_0, a \in A$ , choose locally constant functions with compact supports  $f_1(u), f_2(u)$  on  $N_0$ ,  $f_3$  on  $\omega_0 A$ . Put  $f = f_1 \otimes f_2 \otimes f_3$ , then  $f \in C_c^\infty(\Omega) \subset C_c^\infty(G)$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} B(f) &= \int_G f(g) j_\pi^\circ(g) dg \\ &= \int_{N_0} f_1(u) \psi_0(u) du \int_{N_0} f_2(u) \psi_0(u) du \int_A f_3(\omega_0 b) j_\pi^\circ(\omega_0 b) \delta(b) db \\ &= \int_A f_3(\omega_0 b) j_\pi^\circ(\omega_0 b) \delta(b) db \end{aligned}$$

where  $f_1, f_2$  are chosen so that the first two integrals are equal to 1. For  $f_3$ , as both  $j_\pi^\circ(g)$  and  $j_{\bar{\pi}}(g^{-1})$  are locally constant, we take  $f_3$  as a multiple of characteristic function of a neighborhood of  $\omega_0 a$  on which both  $j_\pi^\circ(g)$  and  $j_{\bar{\pi}}(g^{-1})$  are locally constant. Moreover we require it satisfying that the last integral is  $j_\pi^\circ(\omega_0 a)$ , that is,

$$B(f) = j_\pi^\circ(\omega_0 a).$$

On the other hand, by the above Proposition 3.1, choose  $\tilde{v}_0 \in \tilde{V}$  with  $W_{\tilde{v}_0}(I) = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} B(f) &= l(v_f) = \int_{N_0}^* (\pi(u) v_f, \tilde{v}_0) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \\ &= \int_{N_0}^* \int_G f(g) W_{\tilde{v}_0}(g^{-1} u^{-1}) dg \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \\ &= \int_{N_0}^* \int_{N_0} f_1(u') \psi_0(u') du' \int_{A \times N_0} f_2(u'') f_3(\omega_0 b) W_{\tilde{v}_0}(b^{-1} \omega_0 u''^{-1} u^{-1}) \delta(b) du'' db \psi_0^{-1}(u) du. \end{aligned}$$

We can require further that  $W_{\tilde{v}_0} \in \Omega^\circ(N_0 \backslash G, \psi_0)$ , with  $\Omega^\circ(N_0 \backslash G, \psi_0)$  the same notation as the one defined on page 531 in [LM13]. Since  $f_3$  is supported around  $\omega_0 a$ , by Proposition 1 and Lemma 1 in section 2.6 of [LM13],  $u''^{-1} u^{-1}$  is compactly supported in  $N_0$ , and thus  $u$  is compactly supported. This shows that

$$(\pi(u) v_f, \tilde{v}_0) \psi_0^{-1}(u) = \int_G f(g) W_{\tilde{v}_0}(g^{-1} u^{-1}) dg \psi_0^{-1}(u)$$

is in fact a compactly supported function in  $u$ . Then in the integral

$$\int_{N_0} \int_G f(g) W_{\tilde{v}_0}(g^{-1} u^{-1}) dg \psi_0^{-1}(u) du$$

both  $g, u$  belong to some compact open subsets, and hence the integral is absolutely convergent. This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} B(f) &= \int_{N_0} \int_G f(g) W_{\tilde{v}_0}(g^{-1} u^{-1}) dg \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \\ &= \int_G f(g) \int_{N_0} W_{\tilde{v}_0}(g^{-1} u^{-1}) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du dg \\ &= \int_G f(g) j_{\bar{\pi}}(g^{-1}) dg \\ &= j_{\bar{\pi}}(a^{-1} \omega_0). \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Lemma 2.1 in [FLO12] we have

$$j_{\bar{\pi}}^\circ(a^{-1} \omega_0) = j_\pi^\circ(\omega_0 a) = j_{\bar{\pi}}(a^{-1} \omega_0)$$

which proves the theorem.  $\square$

## 4. SPACE OF RAPIDLY DECREASING FUNCTIONS

In this section, we introduce and study the basic properties of the space of rapidly decreasing functions  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  which is the p-adic analogue of space of rapidly decreasing functions on real reductive groups in section 7.1 of [W88].

Let  $K_0$  be an open compact subgroup of  $G$ , for a positive real number  $r > 0$ , if  $f$  is a smooth bi- $K_0$ -invariant function on  $G$ , define

$$\nu_v(f) = \sup_{g \in G} |f(g)| \|g\|^r$$

Consider

$$\mathcal{S}_{K_0} = \{f \text{ is smooth and bi-}K_0\text{-invariant} : \nu_r(f) < \infty \text{ for any } r > 0.\}$$

Then  $\{\nu_r : r > 0\}$  is a family of seminorms on  $\mathcal{S}_{K_0}$ . The topology of  $\mathcal{S}_{K_0}$  is generated by the balls  $U_{f r \epsilon}$  of the form

$$U_{f r \epsilon} = \{\phi \in \mathcal{S}_{K_0} : \nu_r(f - \phi) < \epsilon\}$$

and  $\mathcal{S}_{K_0}$  becomes a Hausdorff locally convex topological vector space.

If  $K_1 \subset K_2$  are open compact subgroups, then  $\mathcal{S}_{K_2} \subset \mathcal{S}_{K_1}$ .

**Lemma 4.1.**  $\mathcal{S}_{K_2}$  is closed in  $\mathcal{S}_{K_1}$ .

*Proof.* For  $f \in \mathcal{S}_{K_1} \setminus \mathcal{S}_{K_2}$ , there exist  $g_0 \in G, k_0 \in K_2 \setminus K_1$  with  $f(g_0 k_0) \neq f(g_0)$  (or  $f(k_0 g_0) \neq f(g_0)$ ). Consider the following ball with  $\epsilon$  to be determined later

$$U_{f 1 \epsilon} = \{\phi \in \mathcal{S}_{K_1} : \nu_1(f - \phi) < \epsilon\}$$

Thus for  $\phi \in U_{f 1 \epsilon}$ , we have

$$|\phi(g) - f(g)| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{\|g\|} \quad \forall g \in G$$

Then since

$$|\phi(g_0 k_0) - \phi(g_0)| + |\phi(g_0 k_0) - f(g_0 k_0)| + |f(g_0) - \phi(g_0)| \geq |f(g_0 k_0) - f(g_0)|$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi(g_0 k_0) - \phi(g_0)| &\geq |f(g_0 k_0) - f(g_0)| - |\phi(g_0 k_0) - f(g_0 k_0)| - |f(g_0) - \phi(g_0)| \\ &> |f(g_0 k_0) - f(g_0)| - \frac{\epsilon}{\|g_0\|} - \frac{\epsilon}{\|g_0 k_0\|} \end{aligned}$$

Now choose  $\epsilon$  small enough so that

$$|f(g_0 k_0) - f(g_0)| - \frac{\epsilon}{\|g_0\|} - \frac{\epsilon}{\|g_0 k_0\|} > 0$$

which implies that  $\phi(g_0 k_0) \neq \phi(g_0)$ , and  $U_{f 1 \epsilon} \subset \mathcal{S}_{K_1} \setminus \mathcal{S}_{K_2}$ . Similarly for the case  $f(k_0 g_0) \neq f(g_0)$ . Hence the lemma follows.  $\square$

Now choose a system of compact open neighborhoods  $\{K_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  of  $I$  in  $G$  with  $K_1 \supset K_2 \supset \dots$ . Then  $\mathcal{S}_{K_1} \subset \mathcal{S}_{K_2} \subset \dots$ . Let

$$\mathcal{S}(G) = \bigcup_i \mathcal{S}_{K_i}$$

Then  $(\mathcal{S}(G), \{\mathcal{S}_{K_i}\})$  form an inductive system in the sense of section 5.1 in [Con]. Moreover, by the above lemma this is a strict inductive system as in the definition 5.12 in [Con]. We give the inductive limit topology on  $\mathcal{S}(G)$ , which is exactly the topology defined by the seminorms  $\nu_r$  on  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  in this case as the following lemma claims.

**Lemma 4.2.** *The inductive limit topology on  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  coincides with the topology defined by the seminorms  $\nu_r$  on  $\mathcal{S}(G)$ .*

*Proof.* We will show that  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  with the topology determined by the seminorms  $\nu_r$  satisfy the universal property characterizing the inductive limit topology, see for example Proposition 2.8 in [T].

So let  $Y$  be a locally convex topological vector space with a family of continuous linear maps  $\psi_i : \mathcal{S}_{K_i} \rightarrow Y$  satisfying the following commutative diagrams for any  $i > j$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{S}_{K_j} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{S}_{K_i} \\ & \searrow \psi_j & \swarrow \psi_i \\ & Y & \end{array}$$

Now define a map  $\psi : \mathcal{S}(G) \rightarrow Y$ . For any  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G)$ , then  $f \in \mathcal{S}_{K_i}$  for some  $i$ . Put

$$\psi(f) = \psi_i(f)$$

By the above commutative diagram,  $\psi$  is well defined. Moreover  $\psi$  is a linear map and it is the unique linear map which makes the following diagrams commutative for all  $i$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{S}(G) & \xrightarrow{\quad \psi \quad} & Y \\ & \nwarrow \quad \nearrow \psi_i & \\ & \mathcal{S}_{K_i} & \end{array}$$

Finally note that the restriction of the topology determined by  $\nu_r$  to each  $\mathcal{S}_{K_i}$  coincides with the topology on  $\mathcal{S}_{K_i}$ , and the restriction of  $\psi$  to each  $\mathcal{S}_{K_i}$  is nothing but  $\psi_i$ , which is continuous. Thus by Proposition 5.7 in [Con],  $\psi$  is continuous. This proves that  $\mathcal{S}(G)$  with the seminorm topology has the universal property of inductive limit topology.  $\square$

## 5. EXTENSION OF BESSEL DISTRIBUTIONS

In this section, we will show that the Bessel distribution  $B = B_\pi$  attached to an irreducible generic representation  $\pi$  of  $G$  can be extended to a continuous linear functional on  $\mathcal{S}(G)$ .

So let  $(\pi, V_\pi)$  be an irreducible generic admissible smooth representation of  $G$  with its contragredient denoted by  $(\tilde{\pi}, V_{\tilde{\pi}})$ .  $l, l'$  are fixed nonzero Whittaker functionals on  $\pi, \tilde{\pi}$  with respect to  $\psi, \psi^{-1}$  respectively. For  $f \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(G)$ ,  $W_{\tilde{v}} \in \mathcal{W}(\tilde{\pi}, \psi^{-1})$ , the integral

$$\int_G f(g) W_{\tilde{v}}(g^{-1}) dg$$

converges absolutely and defines a smooth linear functional on  $\tilde{\pi}$ , hence can be identified with a vector  $v_f \in V_\pi$ . Then the Bessel distribution  $B = B_{l, l'}$  is given by

$$B(f) = B_\pi(f) := l(v_f).$$

**Lemma 5.1.** *If  $r > 0$  is large enough, then for any  $W_{\tilde{v}} \in \mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi^{-1})$ , the integral*

$$\int_G \frac{1}{||g||^r} W_{\tilde{v}}(g^{-1}) dg$$

*converges absolutely.*



*Proof.* Since  $\|g\| = \|g^{-1}\|$ , take a change of variable  $g \rightarrow g^{-1}$  and replace  $r$  by  $6r$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_G \frac{1}{\|g\|^{6r}} |W_{\tilde{v}}(g^{-1})| dg \\
&= \int_G \frac{1}{\|g\|^{6r}} |W_{\tilde{v}}(g)| dg \\
&= \int_{N_0 \times A \times K} \frac{1}{\|uak\|^{6r}} |W_{\tilde{v}}(uak)| \delta_0^{-1}(a) du d^\times adk \\
&\leq \int_{N_0 \times A \times K} \frac{1}{\|ua\|^{6r}} \left| \sum_{P \supseteq B} \delta_P^{1/2}(a) \sum_{\chi \in \mathcal{E}_P(\pi)} \phi_{P,\chi}(t, k) \right| \delta_0^{-1}(a) du d^\times adk \quad (\text{by Proposition 2.2}) \\
&\leq c_0 \int_{N_0} \frac{1}{\|u\|^{3r}} du \left( \sum_{P \supseteq B} \sum_{\chi \in \mathcal{E}_P(\pi)} \int_{A \times K} |\delta_P^{1/2}(a) \phi_{P,\chi}(t, k)| \frac{\delta_0^{-1}(a)}{\|a\|^{3r}} d^\times adk \right)
\end{aligned}$$

where  $c_0$  is some positive constant and the last step follows from Lemma II.3.1. in [Wal03] as  $\sup\{\sigma(a), \sigma(u)\} \geq (\sigma(a) + \sigma(u))/2$ .

Consider first the integral

$$\int_{N_0} \frac{1}{\|u\|^{3r}} du.$$

If  $\|u\| = q^l, l \geq 0$ , then the measure

$$\text{meas}\{u \in N_0 : \|u\| = q^l\}$$

is bounded by  $C_0 q^l$  where  $C_0$  is a constant depending only on the group. Hence if  $r$  is large, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{N_0} \frac{1}{\|u\|^{3r}} du \\
&\leq C_0 \sum_l \frac{1}{q^{3lr-l}} < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Now to consider the rest terms, as the sum in the bracket has only finitely many terms, it suffices to consider a single term. Since  $\phi_{P,\chi}(a, k) = \chi(a)Q(H(a))\varphi(\tau(a), k)$  with  $Q$  is a polynomial on  $X_*(A)$  with degree  $< n$ , and  $\varphi(\cdot, k)$  is a Schwartz function on  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{M}_P)$  for each  $k \in K$  and invariant under an open subgroup of  $K$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{A \times K} |\delta_P^{1/2}(a) \phi_{P,\chi}(t, k)| \frac{\delta_0^{-1}(a)}{\|a\|^{3r}} d^\times adk \\
&= \int_{A \times K} |\chi_0(a)| |Q(H(a))| |\varphi(\tau(a), k)| \frac{1}{\|a\|^{3r}} d^\times adk \quad (\chi_0 = \delta_P^{1/2} \delta_0^{-1} \chi).
\end{aligned}$$

Note that the kernel of  $\tau$  is  $Z_G$ . Let  $A' = A/Z_G$ . Since  $\varphi(\tau(a), k)$  is invariant under some open compact subgroup of  $K$ , so the integration with respect to  $k$  is in fact a finite sum, and it suffices to consider a single term, with which the integral can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{A' \times Z_G} |\chi_0(a'z)| |Q(H(a'z))| |\varphi(\tau(a'z))| \frac{1}{\|a'z\|^{3r}} d^\times a' d^\times z \\
&= \int_{A' \times Z_G} |\chi_0(a'z)| |Q(H(a'z))| |\varphi(\tau(a'))| \frac{1}{\|a'z\|^{3r}} d^\times a' d^\times z.
\end{aligned}$$

As  $\varphi(\tau(a'))$  is a Schwartz function on  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{M}_P)$ , which implies that it is bounded by some positive constant  $C$ , and the integral is then dominated by

$$\begin{aligned}
& \leq C \int_{A' \times Z_G} |\chi_0(a'z)| |Q(H(a'z))| \frac{1}{\|a'z\|^{3r}} d^\times a' d^\times z \\
&= C \int_A |\chi_0(a)| |Q(H(a))| \frac{1}{\|a\|^{3r}} d^\times a
\end{aligned}$$

As  $Q$  has bounded degree less than  $n$ , there exists a positive integer  $r_0$ , depending only on the representation  $\pi$ , such that if  $r \geq r_0$  then the above integral is bounded from the above by

$$\int_A \frac{1}{\|a\|^r} d^\times a.$$

Now by Lemma 4.1.2. in [S] as  $\sigma(a) \leq \|a\|$ , or use the method there, this integral is finite whenever  $r$  is large enough, which finishes the proof. □

Now choose  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G)$ , for any  $\tilde{v} \in \tilde{\pi}$ , the integral

$$\int_G f(g) W_{\tilde{v}}(g^{-1}) dg$$

converges absolutely by the above lemma, which defines a linear functional on  $\tilde{\pi}$ . As  $f$  is bi-invariant under some open compact subgroup  $K_0$  of  $G$ , this linear functional is smooth, and thus can be identified with  $v_f \in V_{\tilde{\pi}}$ . We then extend the definition of  $B$  to  $\mathcal{S}(G)$ ,

**Definition 5.2.** For  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G)$ , define  $B(f) = l(v_f)$ .

**Corollary 5.3.** If  $G_n = GL_n(F)$ ,  $N_n$  the standard maximal unipotent subgroup of  $G_n$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G_n)$ ,  $\tilde{v} \in V_{\tilde{\pi}}$ . Then

$$\int_{G_n} f(g) W_{\tilde{v}}(g^{-1}) dg = \int_{N_{n-1} \backslash G_{n-1}} B \left( L \begin{pmatrix} h & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot f \right) W_{\tilde{v}} \begin{pmatrix} h & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} dh$$

where  $L$  denotes the left action of  $G_n$  on  $f$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 5.1, the corollary then follows in the same way as Lemma 3.2 in [Ch15]. □

**Proposition 5.4.** The above defined Bessel distribution  $B$  is continuous on  $\mathcal{S}(G)$ .

*Proof.* By Proposition 5.7 in [Con], it suffices to show that  $\mathcal{S}_{K_i} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{S}(G) \xrightarrow{B} \mathbb{C}$ , which is exactly the restriction of  $B$  to  $\mathcal{S}_{K_i}$ , is continuous. Thus if a net  $f_\alpha \rightarrow f$  in  $\mathcal{S}_{K_i}$  with  $\alpha$  in some index set, then  $\nu_r(f_\alpha - f) \rightarrow 0$  for every  $r > 0$ , and we need to show that  $B(f_\alpha) \rightarrow B(f)$ , that is,  $l(v_{v_\alpha}) \rightarrow l(v_f)$ .

By Proposition 3.1, for some fixed  $\tilde{v}_0 \in \tilde{V}$ , the stable limit

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \int_{U_i} (\pi(u)v, \tilde{v}_0) \psi_{N_0}^{-1}(u) du$$

gives the Whittaker functional  $l$  on  $\pi$ . Thus

$$B(f) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \int_{U_i} (\pi(u)v_f, \tilde{v}_0) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du$$

and similarly for  $B(f_\alpha)$ . As all  $f, f_\alpha$  are  $K_i$ -invariant, by Proposition 3.1, there exists an open compact subgroup  $U_j$ , depending only on  $K_i$ , such that  $B(f), B(f_\alpha)$  stabilize at  $U_j$ , that is,

$$B(f) = \int_{U_j} (\pi(u)v_f, \tilde{v}_0) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du$$

and similarly for  $B(f_\alpha)$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& |B(f_\alpha - f)| \\
&= \left| \int_{U_j} ((\pi(u)v_f, \tilde{v}_0) - (\pi(u)v_{f_\alpha}, \tilde{v}_0))\psi_0^{-1}(u)du \right| \\
&= \left| \int_{U_j} \int_G (f(u^{-1}g) - f_\alpha(u^{-1}g))W_{\tilde{v}_0}(g^{-1})dg\psi_0^{-1}(u)du \right| \\
&\leq \int_{U_j} \int_G |f(u^{-1}g) - f_\alpha(u^{-1}g)| |W_{\tilde{v}_0}(g^{-1})| dgdu \\
&\leq v_r(f_\alpha - f) \int_{U_j} \int_G \frac{1}{\|u^{-1}g\|^r} |W_{\tilde{v}_0}(g^{-1})| dgdu.
\end{aligned}$$

As  $U_j$  is compact and independent of  $f, f_\alpha$ , choose  $r$  as large as in Lemma 5.1, then the integral in the above is finite, thus  $B(f_\alpha)$  converges to  $B(f)$  and  $B$  is continuous on  $\mathcal{S}(G)$ .  $\square$

When restricted to the open Bruhat cell  $\Omega$ , the Bessel distribution is given by  $j_\pi(g) = j_\pi^\circ(g)$  by Theorem 3.2. Assume  $U_g$  is a small compact open neighborhood of the identity so that  $j_\pi$  is locally constant on  $gU_g$ . As the Bessel distribution  $B(f)$  is continuous on  $\mathcal{S}(G)$ , there exists some  $r > 0$ , some constant  $c_r$ , such that

$$|B(f)| \leq c_r \nu_r(f)$$

for all  $f \in \mathcal{S}(G)$ . In particular with  $f = 1_{gU_g}$  the characteristic function of  $gU_g$ , we have

$$\left| \int_G j_\pi(h) 1_{gU_g}(h) dh \right| \leq c_r \nu_r(1_{gU_g}).$$

Note that  $\nu_r(1_{gU_g}) = \sup_{x \in G} 1_{gU_g}(x) \|x\|^r = \|g\|^r$ . Then

$$vol(gU_g) |j_\pi(g)| \leq c_r \|g\|^r \quad (5.1)$$

for some  $r > 0$ .

## 6. A VOLUME ESTIMATION

For diagonal matrix  $a = \text{diag}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ , define  $M_1(a) = \max\{|a_1/a_2|, |a_2/a_3|, \dots, |a_{n-1}/a_n|\}$ ,  $M_2(a) = \max\{|a_2/a_1|, |a_3/a_2|, \dots, |a_n/a_{n-1}|\} = M_1(a^{-1})$ ,  $M(a) = \max\{M_1(a), M_2(a)\}$ . It follows that  $M(a) \geq 1$  for all  $a$ .

For  $\phi \in C_c^\infty(G)$  define

$$W(g) = W_\phi(g) := \int_{N_0 \times Z_G} \phi(uzg) \psi_0^{-1}(u) \omega_\pi^{-1}(z) du dz.$$

Choose  $\phi$  such that  $W(I) = W_\phi(I) = 1$ . The following result is very important to us.

**Proposition 6.1.** *Let  $G = GL_n(F)$  and  $\omega_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & 1 \\ & \ddots & \\ 1 & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  be the longest Weyl group element for*

*$GL_n(F)$ . For given  $W = W_\phi$ ,  $a \in A$ , there exist a positive constant  $C > 0$  depending only on  $W$  and  $G$ , and a positive integer  $l > 0$  depending only on the group, such that, if  $W(\omega_0 a u) \neq 0$ , then  $\|u\| \leq C \|a\|^l$ . Moreover, the conclusion still holds if  $\omega_0$  is replaced by any other Weyl group element  $\omega$ .*

*Proof.* We will first consider  $\omega_0$ . As  $W$  is compactly supported modulo  $N_0Z_G$ , there exists finitely many  $a_i \in A$ , such that

$$\text{supp}(W) \subset \cup_i N_0Z_G a_i K.$$

Without loss of generality, we will assume  $\text{supp}(W) \subset N_0Z_G K$ , from which the general case follows easily.

Hence if  $\omega_0 a u \in \text{supp}(W)$ , then there exist  $u_1 \in N_0, z \in Z_G, k \in K$  with  $\omega_0 a u = u_1 z k$ , and we write  $k = u_1^{-1} \omega_0 b u$  with  $b = z^{-1} a$ . Moreover, by the uniqueness of Bruhat decomposition,  $u_1, u, b$  are uniquely determined upon  $k$ .

Write  $k = (k_{ij}), u = (u_{ij}), b = \text{diag}(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ . From the relation  $k = u_1^{-1} \omega_n b u$  we can express  $u_{ij}$  in terms of  $k_{ij}$  and  $b_i$ . It is a direct computation that we can find  $u_{ij} (i < j)$  has the following form.

$$u_{ij} = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \frac{k_{i_1 j_1} \dots k_{i_r j_r}}{b_{i_1} \dots b_{i_r}}.$$

In the above expression, the possible maximal number of summands are bounded by a positive integer  $L_1$ , depending only on the group  $G$ , and the possible largest value for  $r$  is  $n - 1$ .

Now note that  $|\frac{b_{i-1}}{b_i}| \leq M(b), i = 2, \dots, n$ , we get  $|b_i| \leq M(b)^{n-i} |b_n|$ . By considering the determinant, we have  $|b_1 \dots b_n| = 1$ , we then have  $1/|b_n| \leq M(b)^{n(n-1)/2}$ . Then each term in the expression of  $u_{ij}$  satisfies

$$|\frac{k_{i_1 j_1} \dots k_{i_r j_r}}{b_{i_1} \dots b_{i_r}}| \leq \frac{|b_n|^r}{|b_{i_1} \dots b_{i_r}|} \frac{1}{|b_n|^r}.$$

Now each  $|\frac{b_n}{b_{i_j}}|$  is bounded by a power of  $M(b)$ , hence there exists a positive integer  $l_{ij} > 0$ , such that

$$|\frac{k_{i_1 j_1} \dots k_{i_r j_r}}{b_{i_1} \dots b_{i_r}}| \leq M(b)^{l_{ij}}.$$

Finally, note that  $zb = a$ , thus  $M(a) = M(b)$ . Hence we can find a positive constant  $C > 0$  depending only  $W$  and the group  $G$ , and positive integer  $l = \max\{l_{ij}\}$  depending only on the group  $G$ , such that if  $\omega_n a u$  is in the support of  $W$ , then

$$\max\{|u_{ij}| : u = (u_{ij})\} \leq C M(a)^l \leq C \|a\|^{2l}$$

which proves the result in the case  $GL_n(F)$ .

When  $\omega_0$  is replaced by other Weyl group element, the above arguments applies and one gets the same conclusion.  $\square$

**Corollary 6.2.** *Let  $G$  be a connected split reductive linear algebraic group over  $F$ . For given  $W = W_\phi$ ,  $a \in A$ , there exist positive constant  $C > 0$  depending only on  $W$  and  $G$ , and a positive integer  $l > 0$  depending only on the group, such that, if  $W(\omega_0 a u) \neq 0$ , then  $\|u\| \leq C \|a\|^l$ .*

*Proof.* Recall that  $G$  has been identified with a closed subgroup of some general linear group  $GL_n(F)$  over  $F$ , with  $K \subset GL_n(\mathcal{O})$  and  $B$  upper triangular. Write the Bruhat decomposition of  $\omega_0$  in this  $GL_n(F)$  as  $\omega_0 = v_1 b \omega v_2$  with some permutation matrix  $\omega$  in the Weyl group of  $GL_n(F)$ . Then

$$W(\omega_0 a u) = W(v_1 b \omega v_2 a u) = \psi_0(v_1) W(b \omega a a^{-1} v_2 a u).$$

Note that  $b, v_2$  are uniquely determined by  $\omega_0$ . Apply the same proof as in the above proposition (not the conclusion of the proposition), the corollary follows.  $\square$

• Theorem 5.7 in [Ba05] and Theorem 1 in [LM13] show that, as a function of  $u$ ,  $W(\omega_0 a u)$  is compactly supported with support depending only on  $M_1(a)$  and  $W$ , but without explicit bounds on support.

Recall that if  $m$  is a positive integer,  $A_m = A \cap K_m = A \cap J_m$ . We also set  $U_m = N_0 \cap J_m$ ,  $\bar{U}_m = \bar{N}_0 \cap J_m$ .

**Lemma 6.3.** *Choose positive integer  $m_1$  satisfying*

- (1)  $C||a||^l \leq q^{m_1}$ ;
  - (2)  $R(A_{m_1}).\phi = \phi$ , and thus  $R(A_{m_1}).W = W$ , where  $R$  denotes the right multiplication.
- Then  $I(\phi, \omega_0 a) = I(\phi, \omega_0 ab)$ .*

*Proof.* For any  $u \in N_0$ , write  $u$  uniquely as

$$u = \prod_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} x_\alpha(t_\alpha).$$

For any  $b \in A_{m_1}$  and  $\alpha \in \Phi^+$ , we have

$$bx_\alpha(t_\alpha)b^{-1} = x_\alpha(\alpha(b)t_\alpha).$$

Note that  $\alpha(b) \in 1 + \mathfrak{p}^{m_1}$ , hence by Proposition 6.1,

$$\psi_0(u) = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \psi(t_\alpha) = \prod_{\alpha \in \Delta} \psi(\alpha(b)t_\alpha) = \psi_0(bub^{-1}).$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} I(\phi, \omega_0 a) &= \int_{N_0} W(\omega_0 au) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \\ &= \int_{N_0} W(\omega_0 ab) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \\ &= \int_{N_0} W(\omega_0 abb^{-1}ub) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \\ &= \int_{N_0} W(\omega_0 abb^{-1}ub) \psi_0^{-1}(b^{-1}ub) du \\ &= \int_{N_0} W(\omega_0 abu') \psi_0^{-1}(u') du' \\ &= I(\phi, \omega_0 ab). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 6.4.** *For  $g = u_1 \omega_0 a u_2$ , choose positive integer  $m_2$  so that*

- (3)  $q^{m_2} \geq (M(a))^n$ ;
- (4)  $u_2 \in U_{m_2}$ .

*Then for any  $\bar{v} \in \bar{U}_{m_2}$ , there exist  $\bar{v}' \in \bar{U}_{m_2}, u'_2 \in U_{m_2}, b' \in A_{m_2}$ , such that  $u_2 \bar{v} = \bar{v}' b' u'_2$ . Moreover  $\psi_0(\omega_0 a \bar{v}' a^{-1} \omega_0^{-1}) = 1$ , and  $\psi_0(u_2) = \psi_0(u'_2)$ .*

*Proof.* Write  $\omega_0 \bar{v}' \omega_0^{-1} = \prod_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} x_\alpha(t_\alpha)$  with  $t_\alpha \in \mathfrak{p}^{3m_2}$  if  $\alpha \in \Delta$ . Then by (3),

$$\omega_0 a \bar{v}' a^{-1} \omega_0^{-1} = \omega_0 a \omega_0^{-1} \omega_0 \bar{v}' \omega_0^{-1} \omega_0 a^{-1} \omega_0^{-1} \in \mathcal{O}$$

and hence  $\psi_0(\omega_0 a \bar{v}' a^{-1} \omega_0^{-1}) = 1$ .

$\psi_0(u_2) = \psi_0(u'_2)$  follows from the fact that  $\psi_m$  is a well-defined character on  $K_m$  as checked in section 2.

□

As  $\phi$  and  $W$  are fixed, there exists a constant  $M_0$  such that if  $q^m > M_0$ , then  $R(A_m).\phi = \phi, R(A_m).W = W$ . We will consider those  $g = u_1 \omega_0 a u_2$  with  $M(a) > M_0$ . Now choose positive integer  $m$  satisfying

$$C||a||^l \leq q^m, \quad (M(a))^n \leq q^m \quad \text{and} \quad u_2 \in N_m \quad (**)$$

that is,  $m$  satisfies all (1), (2), (3) and (4). We also require  $m$  to be the smallest one satisfying (\*\*), i.e., either  $C||a||^l > q^{m-1}$ , or  $M(a) > q^{(m-1)/n}$ , or  $u_2 \notin U_{m-1}$ .

Put  $U_g = \bar{U}_m A_m N_K$ , where  $N_K = N_0 \cap K$ , which is an open compact subset of  $G$ .

**Lemma 6.5.** *For any  $h \in U_g$ , we have  $gh \in N_0 \omega_0 A N_0$ , and  $I(\phi, g) = I(\phi, gh)$ , where  $g = u_1 \omega_0 a u_2$ .*

*Proof.* Write  $h = \bar{v} b v \in U_g$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(\phi, gh) &= I(\phi, u_1 \omega_0 a u_2 \bar{v} b v) \\
 &= \psi_0(u_1) I(\phi, \omega_0 a \bar{v}' b' u_2' b v) && \text{(by Lemma 6.4)} \\
 &= \psi_0(u_1) \psi(\omega_0 a \bar{v}' a^{-1} \omega_0) I(\phi, \omega_0 a b' b) \psi_0(b^{-1} u_2' b) \psi(v) \\
 &= \psi_0(u_1) I(\phi, \omega_0 a) \psi_0(u_2') && \text{(by Lemma 6.3 and Lemma 6.4)} \\
 &= \psi_0(u_1) I(\phi, \omega_0 a) \psi_0(u_2) = I(\phi, g) && \text{(by Lemma 6.4).}
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 6.6.** *There exists two positive integers  $b_1, b_2$  depending only on the group  $G$ , such that  $\text{vol}(U_g) = \text{vol}(\mathcal{O})^{b_1} \frac{1}{q^{b_2 m}}$ .*

This is an easy calculation and details will be omitted.

**Corollary 6.7.** *With  $M_0$ , then there exist a positive constant  $C'$  depending on the group  $G$  and  $W$ , and a positive constant  $l'$  depending only on group  $G$ , such that for any  $g \in N_0 \omega_0 A N_0$  with  $M(a) > M_0$ , we have*

$$\frac{1}{\text{vol}(U_g)} < C' ||g||^{l'}.$$

*Proof.* We know either  $C||a||^l > q^{m-1}$ , or  $M(a) > q^{(m-1)/n}$ , or  $u_2 \notin U_{m-1}$ . In the first case,

$$\text{vol}(U_g) = \text{vol}(\mathcal{O})^{b_1} \frac{1}{q^{b_2 m}} > \text{vol}(\mathcal{O})^{b_1} (Cq)^{-b_2} ||a||^{-b_2 l}.$$

The second case is similar to the first case. Now consider the third case,  $u_2 \notin U_{m-1}$ , which means  $u_{ij} \notin \mathfrak{p}^{-b_3 - b_4 m}$  for some positive integers  $b_3, b_4$  depending only on the group  $G$ , where  $u_2 = (u_{ij})$ . This then implies that

$$||u_2|| \geq |u_{ij}| > q^{b_3 + b_4 m}$$

and thus

$$q^m < q^{-\frac{b_3}{b_4}} ||u_2||^{\frac{1}{b_4}}.$$

So we have

$$\frac{1}{\text{vol}(U_g)} < \text{vol}(\mathcal{O})^{-b_1} q^{-\frac{b_2 b_3}{b_4}} ||u_2||^{\frac{b_2}{b_4}}.$$

Thus we always have

$$\frac{1}{\text{vol}(U_g)} < C_1 \max\{||a||, ||u_2||\}^{l_1}$$

with  $C_1$  depending on  $G$  and  $W$  and  $l_1$  depending only on the group  $G$ . Combining with Lemma II.3.1, [Wal03], we get

$$\frac{1}{\text{vol}(U_g)} < C_2 ||a u_2||^{l_2}.$$

By Proposition 18.1 in [Ko05], or use the same argument as in Lemma 4.1 of [Zh15], we have

$$\sigma(a u_2) \leq \sigma(u_1) + \sigma(a u_2) \leq C_3 \sigma(u_1 \omega_0 a u_2)$$

for all  $u_1, u_2 \in N_0, a \in A$  and  $C_3$  is a certain constant depending only on the group. This then gives that

$$\frac{1}{\text{vol}(U_g)} < C_4 \|u_1 \omega_0 a u_2\|^{l_3}$$

with  $C_4$  depending on  $G$  and  $W$  and  $l_3$  depending only on the group  $G$ .  $\square$

## 7. LOCAL INTEGRABILITY OF $j_\pi$

In the last section, for  $g$  in the open Bruhat cell, we constructed a neighborhood  $U_g$  of  $I$  such that the orbital integral  $I(\phi, h)$  is constant on  $gU_g$ , and estimated the volume of  $U_g$  in terms of norm of  $g$ . To deal with Bessel functions of general generic representations other than supercuspidals, we need to consider similar problems for Bessel functions when restricted to a compact open subset.

Let  $Y$  be a compact open subset of  $G$ . First by Lemma 8.2 in [Ba05] and Proposition 1 in [LM13], there exists a Whittaker function  $W_1 \in \mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi_0)$  such that  $W_1(I) = 1$  and

$$j_\pi(g) = \int_{N_0} W_1(gu) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du$$

for all  $g \in \Omega = N_0 \omega_0 A N_0$ . Then by Corollary 9.10 in [Ba05], Theorem 4 in [LM13] and their proofs, we can find some  $\phi \in C_c^\infty(G)$ , such that  $W(1) = W_\phi(1) = 1$  and  $W(gu) = W_1(gu)$  for all  $g \in Y \cap \Omega$  and  $u \in N_0$ . This implies that if  $g \in Y \cap \Omega$  we have

$$j_\pi(g) = \int_{N_0} W_1(gu) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du = \int_{N_0} W(gu) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du = I(\phi, g).$$

Now as in the last section, there exists a positive constant  $M_0$  such that if  $q^m > M_0$ , then  $R(A_m) \cdot \phi = \phi$ ,  $R(A_m) \cdot W = W$  and  $R(A_m) \cdot Y \subset Y$ . The last condition can be achieved because  $Y$  is a compact open subset. We consider  $g = u_1 \omega_0 a u_2 \in \Omega \cap Y$  with  $M(a) > M_0$ . Choose a positive integer  $m$  satisfying

$$C \|a\|^l \leq q^m, \quad (M(a))^n \leq q^m \quad \text{and} \quad u_2 \in N_m \quad (***)$$

then  $m$  satisfies the conditions (1),(2),(3) and (4) in Lemma 6.3 and Lemma 6.4 of last section. Put  $U_g = \bar{U}_m A_m N_K$ . For any  $h = \bar{v} b u \in U_g$ , write  $u_2 \bar{v} = \bar{v}' b' u'_2$  as in Lemma 6.4 of last section. Then

$$gh = u_1 \omega_0 a u_2 \bar{v} b u = u_1 \omega_0 a \bar{v}' b' u'_2 b u = u_1 \omega_0 a \bar{v}' a^{-1} \omega_0 u_1^{-1} g b' b u_4 = u_3 g b' b u_4$$

for some  $u_3, u_4 \in N_0$ . By the choice of  $m$ ,  $g b' b \in Y$ . Hence

$$W(ghu_5) = W(u_3 g b' b u_4 u_5) = \psi(u_3) W(g b' b u_4 u_5) = \psi_0(u_3) W_1(g b' b u_4 u_5) = W_1(ghu_5)$$

for any  $u_5 \in N_0$ . This then implies that

$$\begin{aligned} j_\pi(g) &= \int_{N_0} W_1(gu) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \\ &= \int_{N_0} W(gu) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \\ &= I(\phi, g) = I(\phi, gh) \\ &= \int_{N_0} W(ghu) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \\ &= \int_{N_0} W_1(ghu) \psi_0^{-1}(u) du \\ &= j_\pi(gh) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $g \in \Omega \cap Y$  and  $h \in U_g$ . Moreover we will choose  $m$  to be the smallest positive integer satisfying  $(***)$ , thus Corollary 6.7 is still valid, with the constants  $C', l'$  depending not only on  $W_\phi, G$ . We summarize the above in the following proposition.

**Proposition 7.1.** *Given a compact open subset  $Y \subset G$ , there exists a positive constant  $M_0$ , such that if  $g = u_1\omega_0au_2$  with  $M(a) > M_0$ , then there exists a compact open neighborhood  $U_g$  of the identity, such that*

$$j_\pi(g) = j_\pi(gh), \quad \forall g \in \Omega \cap Y, \quad h \in U_g$$

and

$$\frac{1}{\text{vol}(U_g)} < C' \|g\|^{l'}$$

where  $C', l'$  are constants independent of  $g$ .

We are now ready to prove the local integrability of  $j_\pi$ .

*proof of Theorem 1.2:* For  $f \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(G)$ , suppose  $\text{supp}(f) \subset Y$  for some compact open subset  $Y$  of  $G$ . Choose  $M_0$  as in Proposition 7.1, then

$$\begin{aligned} B(f) &= \int_G f(g) j_\pi(g) dg \\ &= \int_\Omega f(g) j_\pi(g) dg \\ &= \int_{M(a) > M_0} f(g) j_\pi(g) dg + \int_{M(a) \leq M_0} f(g) j_\pi(g) dg \quad (\text{write } g = u_1\omega_n au_2 \in \Omega). \end{aligned}$$

For the second integral, write  $a = zb$  uniquely with  $z \in Z$ ,  $b$  is diagonal with last entry 1, then

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{M(a) \leq M_0} |f(g) j_\pi(g)| dg \\ &= \int_{M(a) \leq M_0} |f(u_1\omega_0 zbu_2)| \psi_0(u_1) \psi_0(u_2) \omega_\pi(z) j_\pi(\omega_0 b) |\delta(b) du_1 du_2 d^\times z d^\times b| \\ &= \int_{M(b) \leq M_0} \int_{N_0 \times N_0 \times Z} |f(u_1\omega_0 zbu_2)| du_1 du_2 d^\times z |j_\pi(\omega_0 b)| \delta(b) d^\times b. \end{aligned}$$

As  $f \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(G)$ , the integral

$$I(f, b) := \int_{N_0 \times N_0 \times Z} |f(u_1\omega_0 zbu_2)| du_1 du_2 d^\times z$$

converges and defines a locally constant function of  $b$ . Also note that  $\{b \in A_{n-1} : M(b) \leq M_0\}$  is compact, thus the second integral is absolutely bounded by

$$\int_{M(b) \leq M_0} I(f, b) |j_\pi(\omega_0 b)| \delta(b) d^\times b$$

and hence is absolutely convergent.

Now look at the first integral. For  $g = u_1\omega_0 au_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{M(a) > M_0, g \in \Omega} |f(g) j_\pi(g)| dg \\ &= \int_{M(a) > M_0, g \in \Omega \cap Y} |f(g) j_\pi(g)| dg \\ &\leq c_r \int_{M(a) > M_0, g \in \Omega \cap Y} |f(g)| \|g\|^r \text{vol}(U_g)^{-1} dg \quad (\text{by (5.1)}) \\ &\leq c' \int_{M(a) > M_0, g \in \Omega \cap Y} |f(g)| \|g\|^r \|g\|^{l'} dg \quad (\text{by Proposition 7.1}) \\ &\leq c' \int_G |f(g)| \|g\|^r \|g\|^{l'} dg \end{aligned}$$



which is also finite. Thus we get the local integrability of  $j_\pi$ , which proves the first part of Theorem 1.2. The second part is given by the following corollary.

**Corollary 7.2.** *The Bessel distribution  $B(f)$  is given by integration against  $j_\pi(g)$ , that is, for any  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$ ,*

$$B(f) = \int_G f(g) j_\pi(g) dg.$$

*Proof.* For  $f \in C_c^\infty(G)$ , define distribution

$$B_1(f) = \int_G f(g) j_\pi(g) dg.$$

Because of the local integrability of  $j_\pi(g)$ , this is well defined. Consider distribution  $B(f) - B_1(f)$ . By Theorem 3.2, the restriction of this distribution to  $\Omega$  is zero. Thus it is supported on  $G \setminus \Omega$ . By Theorem A in [AGS15], the wave front set of distribution  $B - B_1$  is contained in  $(G \setminus \Omega) \times \mathcal{N}$ , where  $\mathcal{N}$  is the set of nilpotent elements in the dual of Lie algebra of  $G$ . Then by Corollary C in [AGK15],  $B - B_1 = 0$ , which finishes the proof.  $\square$

We present two immediate applications of Theorem 1.2.

**Corollary 7.3.** *Let  $\pi_1, \pi_2$  be two generic irreducible smooth representations of  $G$ , with associated Bessel functions  $j_{\pi_1}, j_{\pi_2}$ . If there exists a constant  $c$ , such that for all  $g \in G$ ,  $j_{\pi_1}(g) = c j_{\pi_2}(g)$ , then  $\pi_1 \cong \pi_2$ .*

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.2 in [FLO12], the Bessel distributions are linearly independent for two inequivalent irreducible generic representations. The corollary thus follows from Corollary 7.2.  $\square$

Let  $G_n$  be the general linear group  $GL_n(F)$ , with  $N_n$  the standard maximal unipotent subgroup.

We embed  $G_{n-1}$  into  $G_n$  on the left upper corner. Recall that  $\omega_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & 1 \\ & \ddots & \\ 1 & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is the longest Weyl element of  $G_n$ .

**Corollary 7.4.** *Let  $\pi$  be an irreducible smooth representation of  $G_n$  with Bessel function  $j_\pi(g)$ . If  $W_v(g)$  is a Whittaker function in the Whittaker model  $\mathcal{W}(\pi, \psi)$  of  $\pi$ , then for any diagonal matrix  $h \in G_n$ , we have*

$$W_v(y\omega_0) = \int_{N_{n-1} \setminus G_{n-1}} j_\pi \left( y\omega_0 \begin{pmatrix} h^{-1} & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) W_v \begin{pmatrix} h & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} dh.$$

*Proof.* Use the same method in Lemma 5.3 of [Ba04], we can show the left side integral is absolutely convergent. The corollary then follows from Theorem 4.2 in [Ch15].  $\square$

- The formula in the above corollary essentially gives the action of  $\omega_0$  on the Kirillov model of  $\pi$ .

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